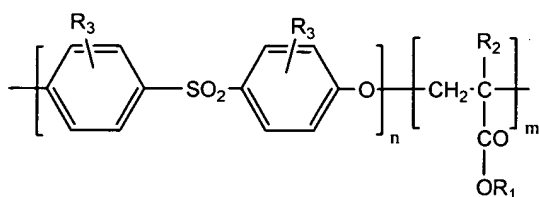


REMARKS

Claims 1-30 are pending. Claims 1-30 are restricted into Group I, claims 3, 5-8, and 27-30; Group II, claim 4; Group III, claims 9 and 10; Group IV, claims 11-14; Group V, claims 15-18; and Group VI, claims 19-26.

Applicants elect Group IV claims for prosecution with traverse. All the claims are related to the polymer of claim 1 and can be examined all together.

Applicants elect the polymer of the following structure as the species for examination:



The undersigned authorizes the examiner to charge any fees that may be required or credit of any overpayment to be made to Deposit Account No. 07-1850.

CONCLUSION

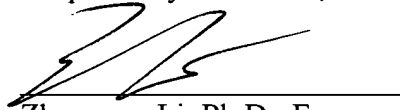
Allowance of the claims is respectfully requested. **If the Examiner has any suggestions or amendments to the claims to place the claims in condition for allowance, applicant would prefer a telephone call to the undersigned attorney for approval of an Examiner's amendment.** If the Examiner has any questions or concerns, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney at (415) 393-9885.

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